

# Seattle Public Utilities COVID-19 Experience

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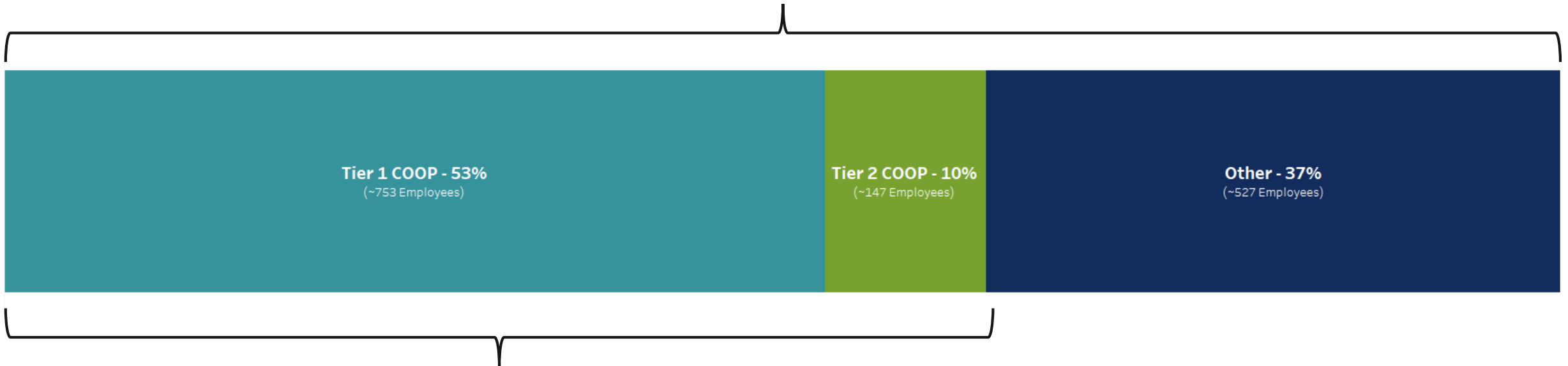


# Seattle Public Utilities

- Provides drinking water to 1.4 million people in the greater Seattle area
- Owns and protects 2 large regional watersheds
- Operates 2 major drinking water treatment plants
- Serves major customers including UW Medical Center, Overlake Hospital, Harborview Hospital and Children's Hospital

# SPU Employee Breakdown

1,432 SPU Employees



63% of SPU Employees covered  
under Tier 1 & 2 COOP (Continuity  
of Operations) Functions

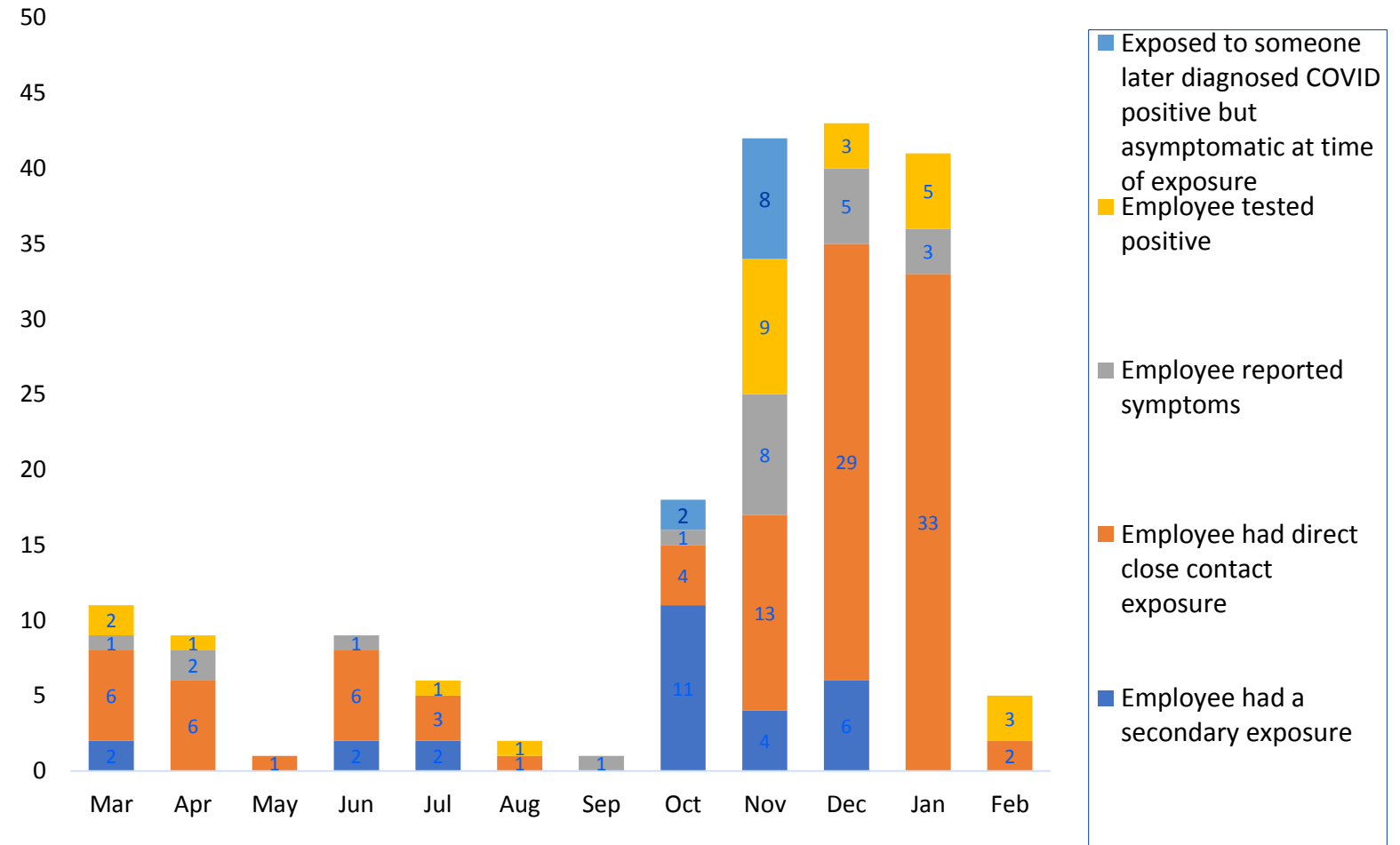


## Almost one year ago...

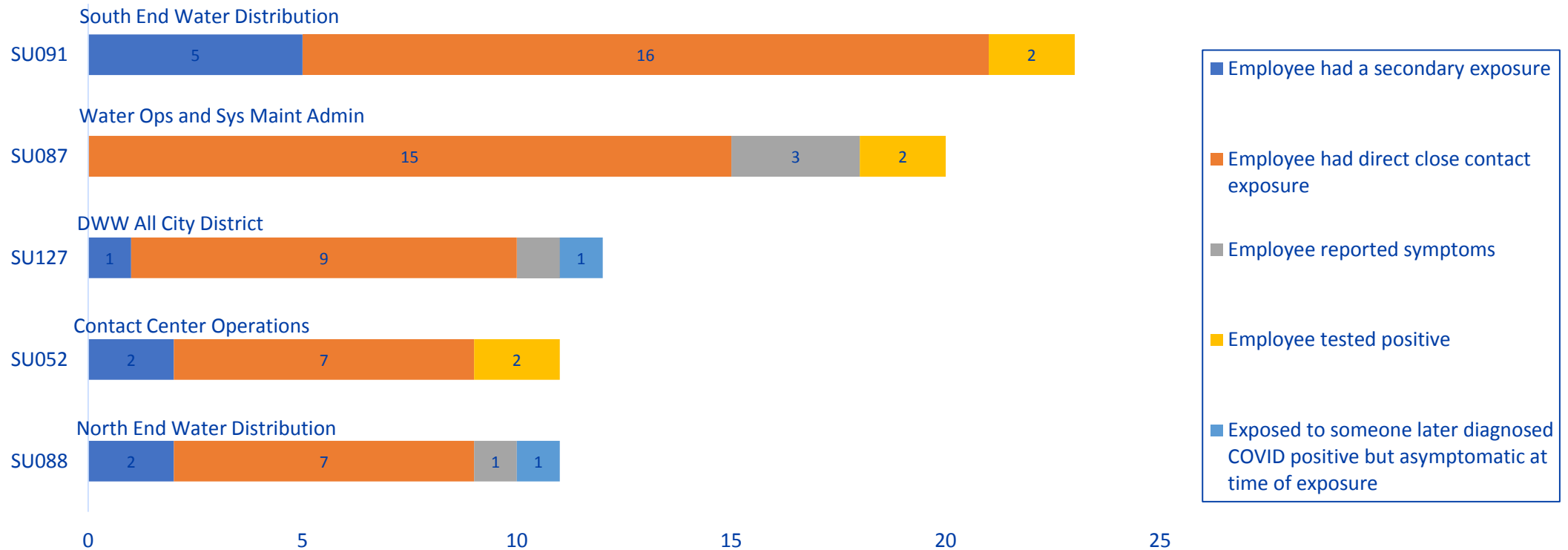
- Established an Incident Command System (ICS) team for COVID-19
- Transitioned 50% of our workforce to full-time teleworking
- Rolled out PPE to front-line workers
- Paused many direct public-interfacing services OR switched to virtual services
- Implemented new procedures for health/temperature checks, mobile dispatching, driving separately in vehicles, remote meetings, cleaning facilities/vehicles, working at job-sites

# SPU COVID Exposure Scenarios 2020-21

Note: Only includes employees who have submitted a COVID Exposure form to SPU. There may be employees who were exposed but did not submit a form, working from home, etc.



# SPU Sections Most Impacted by COVID

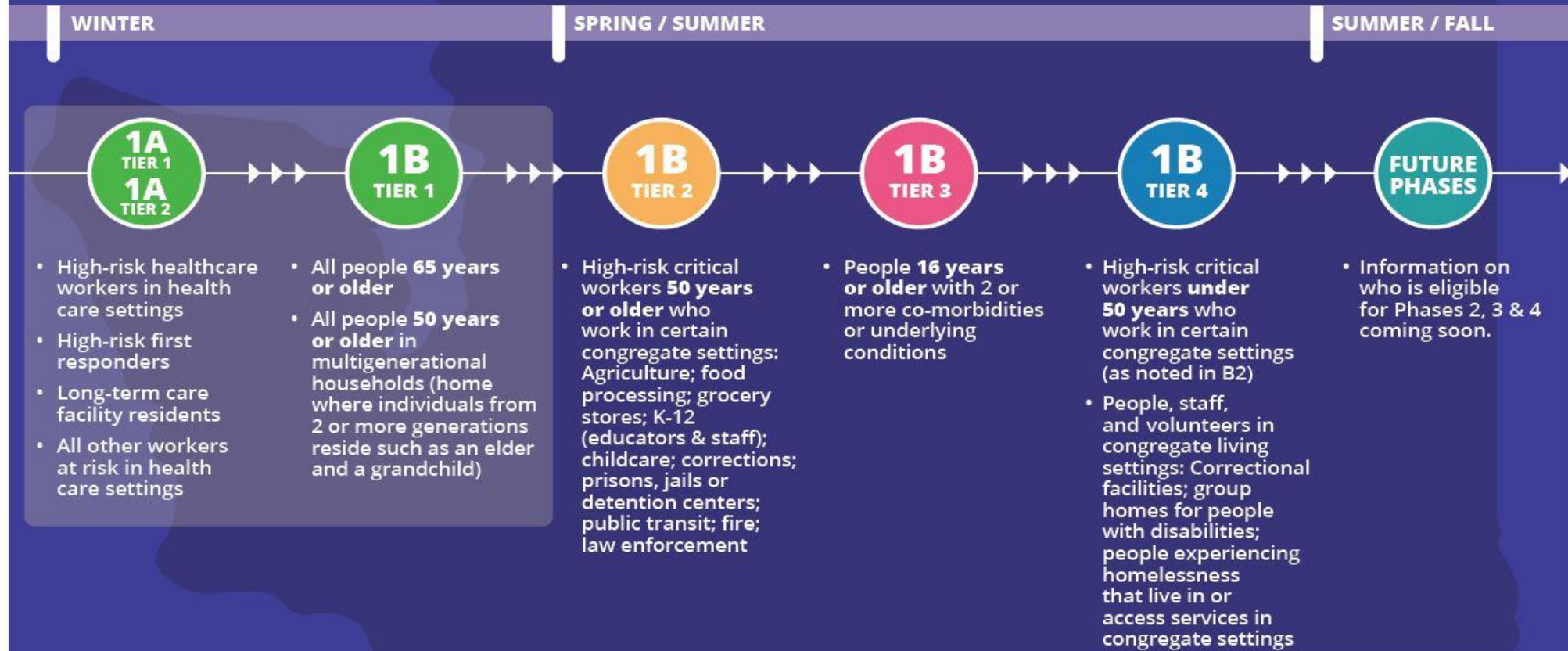




# WASHINGTON'S COVID-19 VACCINE PHASES

Phase 1 Estimated Start Dates (Tiers A and B)

Find out if it's your turn at [FindYourPhaseWA.org](https://www.findyourphase.org)



**FOCUS ON EQUITY:** This approach prioritizes population groups that have been disproportionately impacted by COVID-19 due to external social factors and systemic inequities.

The timelines represented here are estimates and subject to change.

# SPU's Vaccine Prioritization Criteria

Criteria measures a workgroup's work-related COVID-19 exposure risk.

- Impact of Covid Exposure on SPU Operations(40 points)
- Likelihood of Exposure (40 points)
- Work Location Exposure (20 points)

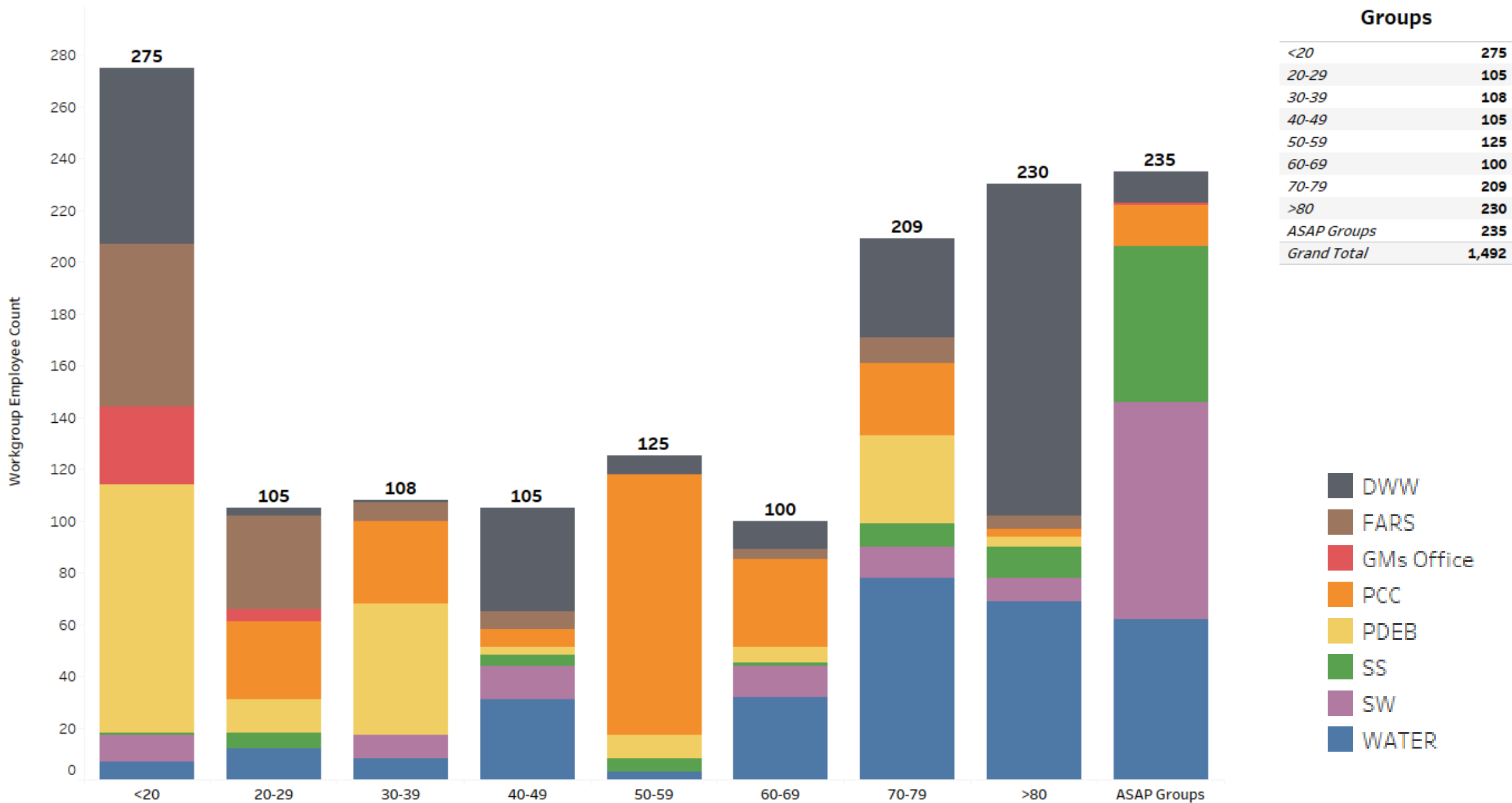
## Other Factors to Consider:

- Critical Service Delivery
- Continuity of Gov't

*A workgroup is a group of people doing a similar function in a similar way. It may not align with the org chart. One Manager may have several workgroups (more than their org chart represents e.g. System Maintenance – Tier 1 COOP function, but 10-15 workgroups)*



# Vaccine Prioritization Score Distribution



A blue-tinted photograph of the Seattle skyline. In the foreground, the Great Wheel is visible on the left, and Pier 56 is on the right. The background is filled with various high-rise buildings.

**Questions?**  
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